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Our office has recently tried to pay maintenance fees electronically, for the patents shown above. We faxed the Notification of Loss of Entitlement of Small Entity Status a few days prior to the payment. Apparently, we have failed to fax in the Notification of Loss of Entitlement of Small Entity Status in enough time. According to our deposit statement, the patent office has charged us for the small entity status fee.

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